



# Standards & Assessment

## PFT Notes

California Department of Education  
Jack O'Connell, State Superintendent of Public Instruction

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### Non-compliant Letters

*Education Code* Section 60800 requires each school district or charter school with pupils in grades five, seven, or nine to administer the Physical Fitness Test (PFT) to each pupil in those grades. The PFT designated for use by the State Board of Education is the *FITNESSGRAM*®.

The deadline for districts and charter schools to submit their 2007–08 physical fitness data files electronically to the PFT contractor, Educational Data Systems (EDS), was June 30, 2008. EDS mailed a total of 165 non-compliant letters to the district superintendents and charter school administrators on August 22, 2008. This letter requests that the non-compliant districts and charter schools electronically submit their 2007–08 physical fitness data files to EDS by September 15, 2008.

### Physical Fitness Test Trainings

Six PFT Trainings will be offered on the dates and locations listed in the chart. These free trainings are recommended for both new and experienced district PFT coordinators and physical education teacher leads. The trainings will provide an orientation and update to the *FITNESSGRAM*®, the state-mandated PFT, the data collection and reporting procedures, and the use of results.

Additional details about these trainings, including registration information, will be sent by e-mail to district PFT coordinators before the end of August. For those who cannot attend these trainings, materials and a video from the training will be available for downloading and viewing on the Internet in early November at <http://www.pft-info.org>.

Date	Location
October 21	Sacramento
October 23	Redding
October 30	Van Nuys
November 12	Santa Clara
November 13	Visalia (Central Valley)
November 19	Riverside
November 20	Long Beach

### More Information...

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